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SUBJECT: GRUMMAN INQUIRY RE 600 PRATT AND WHITNEY ENGINES

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED INQUIRY THROUGH REPRESENTA-
TIVE MINSHALL (R, OHIO) FROM GRUMMAN AIRCRAFT CORPORATION
REGARDING POSSIBLE PRESENCE ON TAIWAN OF 600 USED PRATT
AND WHITNEY RECIPROCAL AIRCRAFT ENGINES. ACCORDING
GRUMMAN, ENGINES (P AND W R1340, 600 HP.; AND P AND
W R985, 450 HP.) NOT MANUFACTURED SINCE WWII, WHEN
ENGINES WERE MADE FOR USE IN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.
REBUILT ENGINES OF THESE TYPE NOW USED AS POWER PLANT
IN GRUMMAN " AG CAT" CROP DUSTER AIRCRAFT, A GRUMMAN
EXPORT ITEM. HOWEVER, USED P AND W ENGINES OF THESE
TYPES INCREASINGLY HARD TO COME BY.

2. GRUMMAN STATES IT HAS REPORT THAT 600 USED P AND W
ENGINES OF TYPES DESCRIBED ABOVE NOW SURPLUS ON TAIWAN,
AND PRESUMABLY IN POSSESSION OF CAF. IF REPORT TRUE,
GRUMMAN WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE FOR PURCHASE OF ENGINES.

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3. REQUEST EMBASSY ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE, PERHAPS THROUGH MAAG, IF CAF IN FACT IN POSSESSION OF 600 SURPLUS P AND W RECIPROCAL ENGINES. IF SO, CAF MAY BE INFORMED OF GRUMMAN INTEREST IN PURCHASING THEM.

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